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Serial No.: 10/619,811] Art Unit 1744
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For: METHOD OF TREATING]
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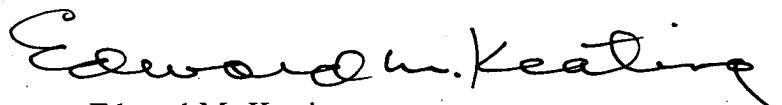
Sir:

This application was filed on July 15, 2003, and as of this date, we have not received the first official action although the latest listing in the Trademark Gazette of January 10, 2006, indicated that the average filing date of applications receiving a first office action in the last three months in Group Art Unit 1740 was October 26, 2003, after the filing date of

this application.

Please advise when we may expect to receive the first official action in this application.

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